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Dear Sam:

Received your letter, asking about the players that may be returning to The Eagles as a result of the wars end. I dont need to tell you, just the thought of them gives me a thrill. I am sure none of the teams lost half the men we did, and ours were most of them really good ones. The total was thirteen, and I rate nine of them with the best.

About the ones who may return soon, Monty Irvin is already in the states, and is being discharged next Tuesday August 28th. He had a week and pass last week, and was able to play with us in two games, and looked his same old self. T

The following men went to Europe about the same time Monty did, so I would not be surprised to see any of them any day. Leon Ray, Maxwell Manning, Charles Parks, and James Brown.

In Alaska now is Clarence Isreal. Your paper had a story about him making the baseball team, the only one of our race on it.

In the south pacific is Lary Doby. He has not been over long, so I guess he will be busy for some time out there. I just had a letter from him yesterday.

Leon Ruffin is still in this country. He has been stationed at a naval training station in Maryland for some time.

Albert Williams, from Rockville Md, has been back for some time. He was able to go to camp with us. He is now playing third base for us, since Wells was traded and Watkins moved to short. Before that he was in the outfield.

If we do get a few of our men back, we should be too much. I plan to come to Washington to see the team play Sunday. Hope to see you. If you want different information, I will have Butts send it to you.

Sincerely